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To: Friis, John
Subject: Public Hearing Testimony HB 6493

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Dear Representative Friis,

I am writing to express my deep concern about the proposed change to the existing statute regarding the dissolution of regional school districts. The current method of voting represents a strong protection for existing regional districts, especially those which serve small communities who are struggling to control costs and provide quality education for our students.

H. B. No. 6493 (RAISED) AN ACT CONCERNING REGIONAL SCHOOL DISTRICTS proposes to change the way votes are counted in a dissolution referendum, and would allow one group an unfair advantage in dismantling a district.

I urge you to *oppose* the change and table H.B. 6493. The fast track process leaves too little time for the broad consideration of all the implications of such a change, especially for small regional districts with poor alternative choices for educating our students.

Sincerely,

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